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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

This submission is in response to the Office Action of August 23, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows, consider the following remarks with respect to patentability, and reconsider the application. Attached hereto are amendment filing papers, an amendment, and a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, providing for a timely response up to and including February 23, 2007. All related fees are to be charged to the Assignee's Deposit Account #16-2480.

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